

Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 000166.0073-US02 Application No. Art Unit Filing Date Examiner 10/681,142-Conf. #6453 October 9, 2003 S. T. Tran 1615 Applicant(s): J. Michael Ramstack et al. Invention: PREPARATION OF INJECTABLE SUSPENSIONS HAVING IMPROVED INJECTABILITY TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number Previously **Extra Claims** After **Amendment** Present Rate Paid **Total Claims** 34 1 Х Independent 1 6 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) 120.00 Other fee (please specify): One-Month Extension of Time fee TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 120.00 Small Entity x Large Entity No additional fee is required for this amendment. X Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0740 120.00 in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 50-0740 X The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. January 23, 2006 Dated: (Monday) Melody H. Wu Attorney Reg. No.: 52,376 **COVINGTON & BURLING** 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20004-2401 (202) 662-6000



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SUSPENSIONS HAVING IMPROVED

INJECTABILITY

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated September 21, 2005 (Paper No. 09152005), Applicants request that the above-identified U.S. patent application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.

However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this

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application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0740.